GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department – Design, Development and geo-tagging of survey of Agricultural Bore Wells – Sanction an amount of Rs.3,12,38,539/- to the Director, Ground Water Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh - Orders- Issued.

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WATER RESOURCES (WRG-GRC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 251 **Dated: 29-05-2017**

Read the following :-

1. From the Commissioner, PR & RD Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Lr.No.12/CRD/IT/ Geo-Tagging/ 2016, dated : 20.12.2016.
2. From the Director, Ground Water Department, Vijayawada, Lr.No.170/ Hgl/ 2017, dated : 01.03.2017.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested to transfer an amount of Rs.3,12,38,539/- to their Department for making payment to the service provider and field staff as per the amounts prescribed by the 6th IT sub-committee, for taken up and completed the work of geo-tagging of about 15.00 lakh agricultural bore wells.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Director, Ground Water Department, Vijayawada has informed that the groundwater resource is playing a crucial role in providing irrigation, particularly during drought periods. In the state about 40 lakh acres of gross area is being irrigated through groundwater from 15 lakh bore wells. Groundwater contribution in GSDP for Agriculture is substantial. All these 15 lakh bore wells are under private ownership and the department is not having data base about these groundwater extraction structures drilled in different geological formations in the state. In view of the increased demands and stress on groundwater aquifers, the Department has desired to have geo tagging of all existing agriculture bore wells for planning adequate site specific groundwater recharge plans and better regulation of groundwater extraction for the sustainability of the precious groundwater resources. Further, the Commissioner, Rural Development Department has entrusted the work of design, development and geo tagging of all existing bore wells to their technical partner, M/s Blue Frog Technologies Private Limited.

3. In the light of above position, the Director, Ground Water Department, Vijayawada has requested the Government to accord administrative sanction for transferring the said amount of Rs.3,12,38,539/- to the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh towards the completed work of Geo-Tagging of about 15.00 lakh Agriculture Bore Wells in the State and also requested to sanction an additional budget of Rs.3,12,38,539/- as the Ground Water Department have insufficient budget and sanction the same to the following Head of Account :-

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2702 – Minor Irrigation : 02 – Ground Water ;
005 – Investigation; 0004 – Survey & Investigation;
270 – Minor Works; 271 – Other Expenditure

He has also requested to permit him to draw the said amount through Hand Receipt duly presenting the bill to the P.A.O. (Works & Projects), Vijayawada payable to the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

4. Government, after careful examination, hereby sanction an amount of Rs.3,12,38,539/- (Rupees three crores twelve lakhs thirty eight thousand five hundred and thirty nine only) to the Director, Ground Water Department through the following Head of Account :-

2702 – Minor Irrigation : 02 – Ground Water ;
005 – Investigation; 0004 – Survey & Investigation;
270 – Minor Works; 271 – Other Expenditure

He is also permitted to transfer the same to the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department through Hand Receipt duly presenting the bill to the P.A.O. (Works & Projects), Vijayawada payable to the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

5. The Director, Ground Water Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh shall take necessary action accordingly.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance (W.R.I) Department vide their U.O. No. 47027 /106 /(FMU.WRD.I) /2017, dated 25.05.2017.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHIBHUSHAN KUMAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director, Ground Water Department, Govt.of A.P.,
Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Finance (WR.I) Department.
The PS to Prl.Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources Department.
The PS to Secretary to Government, WR Department.
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//FORWARDED: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER